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**BY ECF**

Honorable Analisa Torres  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, New York 10007

Re: Chislett v. New York City Department of Education, et al.  
21 Civ. 9650 (AT)

Your Honor:

I am an attorney in the Office of the Hon. Sylvia O. Hinds-Radix, Corporation Counsel of the City of New York, representing defendants New York City Department of Education and Richard Carranza in the above-referenced matter. Defendants respectfully request that Your Honor adjourn the mediation referral dated January 14, 2022 *sine die*. Plaintiff consents to this request.

On January 14, 2022, the Court referred this matter to the Court-annexed mediation program. (See Order dated January 14, 2022, ECF No. 10.) The parties' first mediation session scheduled for May 25, 2022 was rescheduled to June 23, 2022 due to, in part, the undersigned recovering from COVID-19 during the first two weeks of May. In advance of the June 23, 2022 mediation session, the parties engaged in good-faith preliminary settlement discussion, which resulted in plaintiff conveying her initial demand on June 14, 2022. However, the parties are too far apart in their evaluation of this case to possibly settle this matter at the current juncture. As such, defendants believe that a mediation session will not be productive at this time.

The parties have agreed to proceed with discovery with the understanding that they may revisit settlement discussions prior to the close of fact discovery. Accordingly, defendants respectfully request that Your Honor adjourn the mediation referral *sine die*.

GRANTED. The parties are encouraged to reengage in settlement discussions prior to the close of fact discovery.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: June 17, 2022  
New York, New York

  
ANALISA TORRES  
United States District Judge